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Remarks To 16: Please have NIO/LA take the lead, working with ALA and CATF in meeting this request. Ensure copy of "declassified" info and "backup" material is provided DCI/DDCI. (Note: Advance copies of this tasking provided ALA and CATF upon receipt 11 Nov.)

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The Secretary of StateTHE HONORABLE CASPAR W. WEINBERGER
The Secretary of DefenseTHE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CASEY
The Director of Central IntelligenceADMIRAL WILLIAM J. CROWE, JR.
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT: Nicaragua: Telling It Like It Is (C)

Next week the Congress is scheduled to take up the FY-86 Intelligence Authorization Bill. The House and Senate Intelligence Committee conferees have included language in their conference report that offers the opportunity for increased support to the democratic resistance. We can expect that this legislation will become known to the Sandinistas and their supporters and that they will, as in the past, launch a propaganda offensive against the proposals set forth in the bill. (S)

It is, therefore, critically important that we urgently and responsibly educate and inform our public on the nature of what is happening in Nicaragua. We should also highlight other attacks on the President's recently announced proposal for resolving regional conflicts. To this end, the following tasks should be expeditiously undertaken:

-- The Department of State, in coordination with the Department of Defense and the Director of Central Intelligence, should prepare an unclassified publication on the following activities being undertaken by the Sandinistas and their supporters:

- the renewed military buildup occurring in Nicaragua and Cuba;
- the increased repression of the FSLN against the people, church, and political institutions of Nicaragua;
- the intensified military offensive directed against the Nicaraguan democratic resistance forces;

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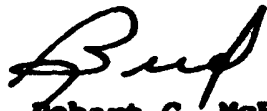
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- the current propaganda, disinformation, and censorship campaign being waged in support of the Sandinistas; and
- Sandinista intransigence in dealing with their neighbors. (S)

-- The Director of Central Intelligence should undertake immediate review of all available information on the five elements depicted above and declassify as much as possible in order to support preparation of the State Department's publication. The DCI should also prepare detailed, classified "back-up" material to substantiate the publication indicated above. This material should also be used to brief the relevant committees of the Congress as corroboration for the unclassified publication. (S)

-- The Department of Defense should support this activity with renewed assistance to the State Department's Office of Public Diplomacy and by expeditious handling of relevant intelligence collected by military systems. (S)

We should aim to have the State Department's publication, copies of pertinent censored material, the classified "back-up" information, and duplicates of the President's recent 90-day "Report on U.S. Policy Toward and Events in Nicaragua" available not later than Wednesday, November 13, 1985. It is intended that we will use this material for a White House press release followed by a press background session on November 13, 1985. (S)



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